

REMARKS

Claims 13-21, 61 and 63-68 are now pending in the application. Claims 13-21, 61, 63, and 64 have been allowed, while Claims 65-68 stand rejected and Claim 62 is objected to. Claim 62 has been cancelled; and Claims 13, 61 and 65-67 have been amended. Bases for the amendments can be found throughout the application, drawings and claims as originally filed and, as such, no new matter has been presented. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

APPLICANTS INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Applicants thank the Examiner for speaking to Erica K. Schaefer on Wednesday, March 1, 2006. During the conversation, the rejections in the Office Action were discussed. Applicants have amended the claims based on this conversation with the Examiner.

Applicants also respectfully request a second interview if Applicants' amendments herein do not place all of the presently pending in condition for allowance.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The undersigned gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 13-21, 61, 63, and 64.

DRAWINGS

The undersigned also gratefully acknowledges the acceptance of the drawings filed January 27, 2006.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Examiner stated that the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 27, 2006 (IDS) fails to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) with reference to providing a legible copy of each reference cited. Applicants respectfully submit that no copies of the references cited in the IDS are required, inasmuch as the IDS only referenced U.S. patents, copies of which are not required for applications filed on or after June 30, 2003, and this application was filed December 5, 2003.

SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter, specifically regarding the term "catalyst members" in Claim 14. Applicants have amended the specification at paragraph [0082.1] to overcome this objection. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of these objections are respectfully requested.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 61 and 62 stand objected to for certain informalities. Applicants have amended Claim 61 and cancelled Claim 62 to overcome these objections. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of these objections are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 65-68 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which

Applicants regard as the invention, specifically regarding independent Claim 65 and its dependent Claim 67.

Applicants have amended Claims 65 and 67 to more particularly define Applicants' disclosure as claimed herein. The Applicants submit that the present amendments to the claims clarify the various elements of the claims and are in line with the Applicants' previous arguments and amendments. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Thus, as amended independent Claim 65 includes the allowable subject matter of Claim 17, Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 65 is patentable and in condition for allowance. In addition, as Claims 66-68 depend from independent Claim 65, which is now believed to be patentable and in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 66-68 are also now patentable and in condition for allowance. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the

Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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